

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 5 July 1965 06/0100Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Illinois
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION UNRELIABLE REPORT ✓ <i>zst</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Report regarded as unreliable by investigating official.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Few Minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS  Object with similar appearance of a flare. When moving it looked like two objects. Fluctuated between bright and dim. Flight to NW. Erratic. Disappeared by fading.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NW	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

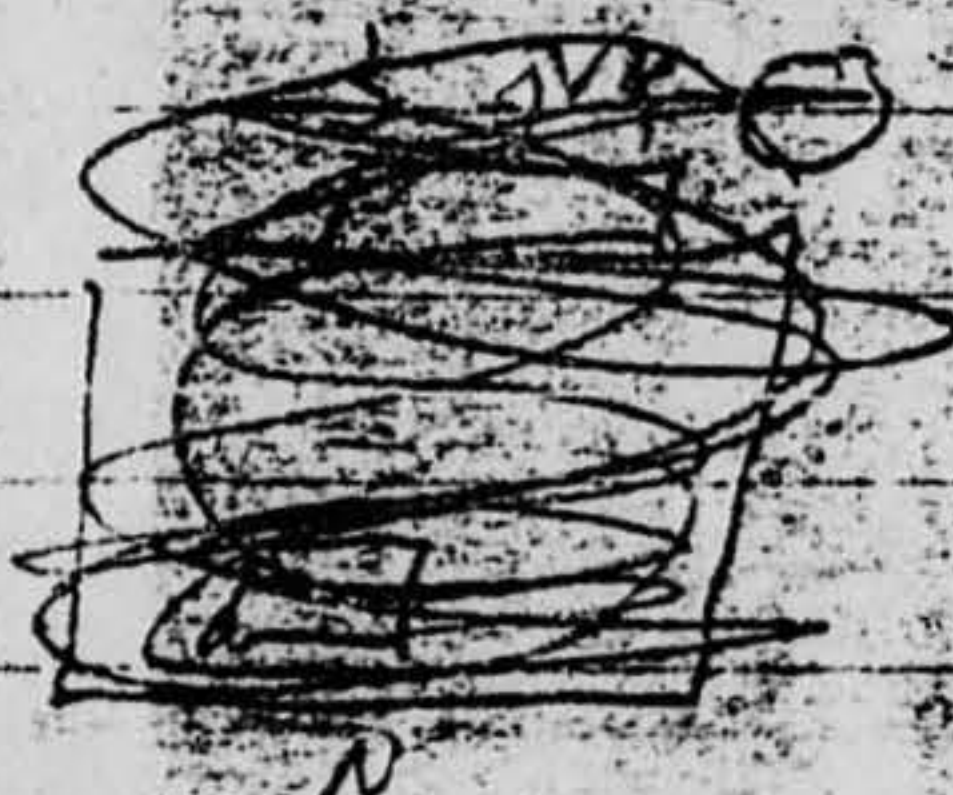
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July ~~12~~ forgot date

3:15 weather was a little windy, I observed a  
bright oblong light

4:00



NW

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W

SAME STARS

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M

S

HOUSE

E - EAST

--- object



1. DATE - TIME GROUP 14 July 1965 15/0330Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Illinois
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astronomical (SATURN) <i>Probably to - JPL</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Saturn 110 deg azimuth 25 deg azimuth. Stellar Magnitude of plus 1.1. SATURN only Astro object of 1st magnitude in East at the reported time. WX condition in atmosphere could cause apparent motion of object toward observer. Case evaluated as an observation of this planet.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Reported	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	Bright white twinkling object observed over lake Michigan. Some Red. Looked like a star. Stationary. Remained there for 10 minutes. Moved to West. There was an a/c moving East at that time. Plane had green and red light going on and off. Object returned to original position only somewhat higher.
7. COURSE Stationary	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	



14 JULY 15/0330Z  
CHICAGO

HEADQUARTERS  
928TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP, MEDIUM (RESERVE)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS - 60666

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: OPS-B-1

26 Jul 1965

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

928TH TRP CARR GP.  
OHARE INTL. APRT.  
CHICAGO, ILL. 60666

TO: Air Force Systems Command  
Foreign Technology Division  
Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

The following information as outlined in Paragraph 15, AFR 200-2 is submitted for your information.

a. Description of the Object(s):

- (1) Shape described as appearing like a star.
- (2) Size was compared to star by stating it was too large and too bright.
- (3) Color was indicated as being bright white and twinkly with some red noticeable.
- (4) Two objects were seen at different times.
- (5) No formation flight noticed. Two objects seen at different times going opposite directions could be same object sighted twice.
- (6) Discernible details noticed were probably speed and lack of speed compared to airliner.
- (7) No tail, trail or exhaust were noticed.
- (8) No specific sounds were reported.
- (9) Refer to attached letter.

b. Description of Course of Object(s):

- (1) Looking out over Lake Michigan, the brightness and twinkle of the object attracted the person.
- (2) Angle or elevation not determined.
- (3) Disappearance of object was probably over the horizon or just went out of sight.







h. Not known by preparing officer.

i. Negative

j. Not known

k. This particular report was called in to the O'Hare Base Operations Office. The young lady seemed cooperative. She felt that someone might need to know about the object she had seen. She was asked to write a report in her own words. This was requested after attempting to get all the information prescribed in AFR 200-2. It is this officer's opinion that the sighting was either a helicopter or aircraft. Approximately where the North Avenue beach is located is also point where several airways are located. The ILS system for Runway 27 at O'Hare would run just north of the North Avenue beach. Many times airliners will put on landing lights well out over the lake to distinguish their aircraft because of the heavy traffic. Combine the bright landing lights with a revolving Grimes beacon to explain the touch of red. The landing lights from a distance appear to twinkle because of their candlepower. Enclosed is original of report written by the observer.

FOR THE COMMANDER

*Francis A. Dellorto*

FRANCIS A. DELLORTO, Civilian  
Base Operations Officer

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Ltr, ~~████████████████████~~ Jul 18, 65

Cy to:

Dr. J. Allen Hynek  
Harvard College Observatory  
60 Garden Street  
Cambridge, Mass.



~~My dear [redacted]~~  
~~[redacted]~~  
Chicago, Illinois

July 18, 1925

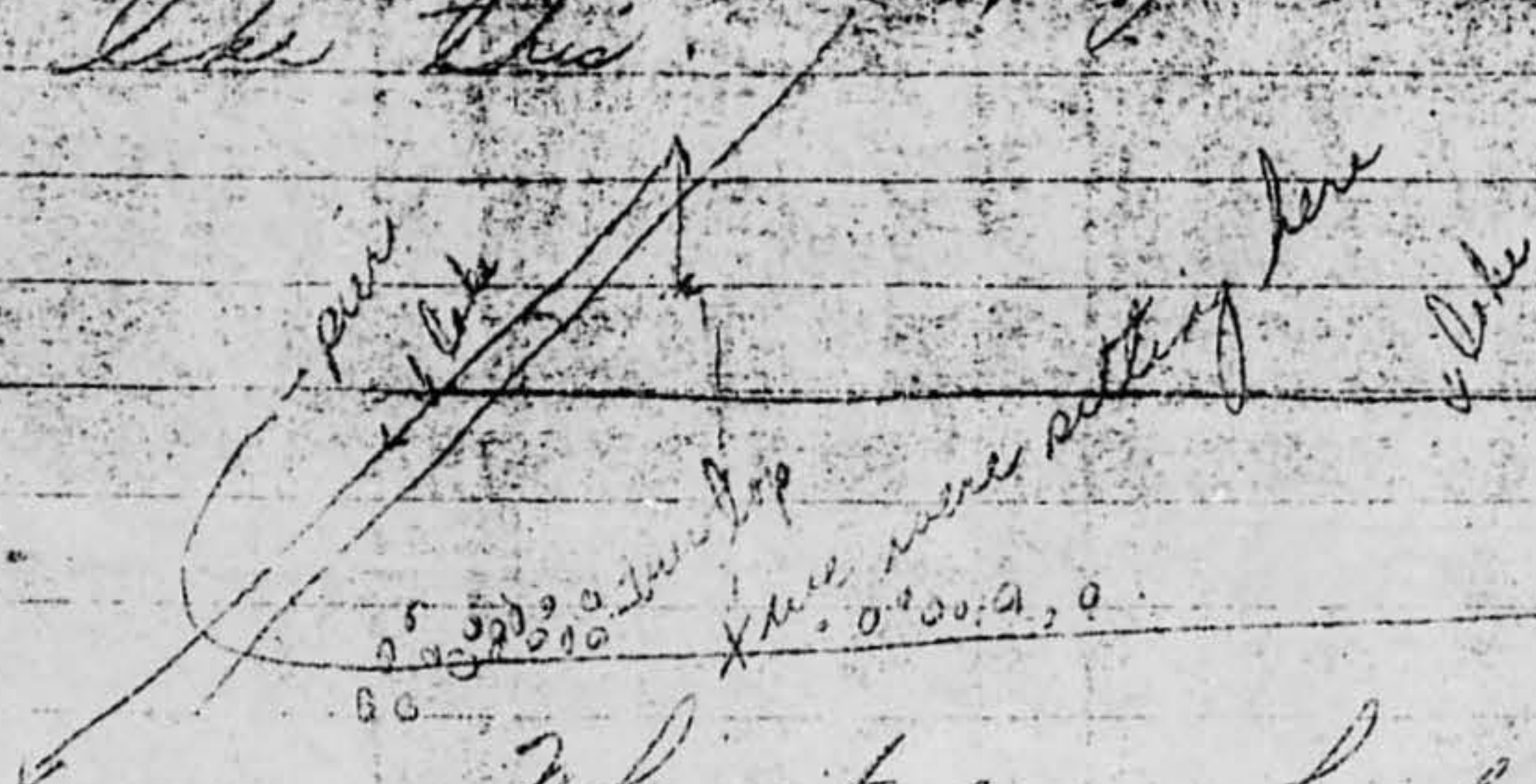
Dear ~~[redacted]~~

I am writing regarding the  
shiny object I saw July 14<sup>th</sup>.  
My wife and I were sitting on a bench at North Avenue  
Beach between 10:30 and 11:15 p.m. It was a  
very warm night about 75 or 76°. The sky  
was clear but there were a few clouds, and  
the stars were not very bright. We could make out  
a few constellations such as the Big  
Dipper.

We were both looking out over Lake  
Michigan and talking when I saw this  
shiny object east over the lake. It was  
a real bright white and twinkly, with  
some red on it. It looked like a star  
but yet it was way too big and too bright.  
I cringed and pointed to it. The  
light was very bright but it was  
not a star and didn't move at all - for  
about 10 seconds we watched it. Then  
it disappeared.



It didn't move fast. It didn't  
was moving west. There was an airplane  
 going east and the object passed either  
 over or under the airplane and we could  
 see the difference between the plane and  
 the object. The plane had green and red  
 lights that went on and off. But the  
 object was far too bright and had a blue  
 red that looked like it was  
 going around the object real fast. I  
 don't know what shape it was - but  
 it was very bright and tiny. Then  
it disappeared west over the Blue Tops  
 and we could not see it anymore. A  
 few minutes later one came from the  
 West over Chicago and went West over the  
 Lake - then simply disappeared. Something  
 like this.



When it came back it was higher  
 than when we first saw it. The size  
 was about a house's length away from  
 my arm - maybe a few feet long.  
 It was a little bit of a...



Together we both watched for about 15  
or 20 minutes.

If you have any further questions  
regarding this - please feel free to contact  
me at the General Electric Company, my  
number is [REDACTED] from 8 till 4:30 p.m.

I hope I will hear of some help.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED]



1. DATE - TIME GROUP 16 July 65. 17/0319Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Illinois
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS  Object regarded as an a/c by the investigating official. Conclusion:  Orange/amber light, very bright in descending flight. Moved straight up and then flew off to the NW. Increased altitude as it disappeared. No sound. Had bright lights around edge
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 45 Seconds & More	
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE NW	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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10/17.0319Z JULY

COMBAT READINESS TRAINING OPERATIONS  
928TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP, MEDIUM (RESERVE)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
Chicago, Illinois 60666

SUBJECT: U.F.O.

A. Description of the object:

1. Would you please describe object's shape Circular

2. Size as compared to a known object held in the hand at about arm's length. (Such as a pea, dime, nickel, baseball, etc.) A two car garage

3. Color Orange, Amber (Lights around the edge) Lights very bright

4. Number None

5. Formation, if more than one One Object

6. Any discernible features or details Decended in twirling

7. Was there a tail, trail or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object No Noise

8. Was there any sound? If so, please describe the sound None

9. Other pertinent or unusual features Object moved straight upwards like a helicopter and then up at an angle in a northwesterly direction.



5 06/0100Z JULY

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928TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP, MEDIUM (RESERVE)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
Chicago, Illinois 60666

SUBJECT: U.F.O.

11 August 1965

A. Description of the object:

1. Would you please describe object's shape No definite shape, seemed to appear as almost a flare
2. Size as compared to a known object held in the hand at about arm's length. (Such as a pea, dime, nickel, baseball, etc.) Very indefinite about size, kept stating about size of flare
3. Color White
4. Number One
5. Formation, if more than one N/A
6. Any discernible features or details When moving looked like 22 objects, when stationary seemed to be one object with light fluxuating between bright and dim.
7. Was there a tail, trail or exhaust, including size of same compared to size of object None noticed
8. Was there any sound? If so, please describe the sound No
9. Other pertinent or unusual features



B. Description of course of object.

1. What first called the attention of observer to the object \_\_\_\_\_

The bright lights around the edge

2. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object when first observed \_\_\_\_\_

Going straight upward and moving around in the sky

3. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance At an Angle  
and Upward and departed in a northwesterly direction

4. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object straight up and  
down, forward and back again

5. How did the object disappear (Fade away or instantaneously) \_\_\_\_\_  
northwesterly

6. How long was the object visible? (Be specific, 5 min, one hour) \_\_\_\_\_

15 seconds

C. Manner of observation.

1. How was object sighted, ground-visual, air visual, ground electronic,  
air electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar) naked eye (out in front  
of my house in [redacted] Chicago

2. Were any optical aids used. (Telescopes, binoculars) No

3. Was this an airborne sighting? If so:

A. Type A/C Unknown

B. Ident No I couldn't see any (It was at night)

C. Altitude Unknown

D. Heading Northwesterly after being in sight for approx 15 seconds

E. Speed Unknown

F. Home Station Unknown

G. Telephone No 374-9133



D. Time and date of sighting

1. Time Zulu 0319Z

Date 17 July 1965

2. Was it, night, day, dawn, dusk Night

E. Location of Observer. Where did you make this sighting from? Give exact location. (If necessary give location in reference to a known land mark)

[REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois

F. Identifying Information on Observer

1. Civilian Name Mrs [REDACTED]

2. Age 26

3. Mailing Address [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois

4. Occupation Unknown

5. Reliability Good

6. Telephone No [REDACTED]

Military:

1. Name Not Applicable

2. Grade

3. Organization

4. Duty

5. Reliability

6. Telephone No.

G. Weather and Winds - Aloft conditions at time and place of sightings

1. Observer's account of weather conditions Clear

2. Winds (from Weather Bureau)

Surface	Degrees	Kts
Aloft 6,000	"	"
10,000	"	"
16,000	"	"
20,000	"	"
30,000	"	"
50,000	"	"
80,000	"	"

3. Ceiling NONE

4. Visibility 15 T

5. Amount of cloud layer NONE

6. Thunderstorm in area and quadrant in which located NO

7. Vertical Temp Gradient




H. Did you notice any unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting None

I. Did you take any photographs No  
Do you know of any existence of physical evidence of materials No


INITIALS cj

ADDITIONS: The lady next door to us said she and her daughter saw this object an hour early.

COMMENT: From the information reported by Mrs. [REDACTED] and the manner in which she made her report I definitely feel that she may have observed some sort of craft possibly a helicopter. Mr. [REDACTED] said five other people observed the "UFO" for approximately 45 seconds. Mrs. [REDACTED] seemed to be coherent in her speech and felt very strongly about her sighting.

  
CHARLES F. JOSEPH, Civilian  
Chief, Base Flight Operations Dispatcher



  
Chicago, Illinois 60626

July 31, 1965


Mr. Dellorto  
928th Troop Carrier Group  
O'Hare Field  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir;

This is in regard to a phone call I had with a Mr. Joseph of your office some time ago, I have forgotten the date now but was asked to write you and confirm what I saw.

On the corner of N. Ridge and W. Peterson ave there is a Billboard with the time and temperature. I was talking out in front of our house with several neighbors, it was a nice mild night with a nice clear sky. At 10:19 P.M. I saw a large circular object in the sky with orange or amber lights around the edge, these lights were very bright the lights then went out but one of the little boys on the sidewalk said that one little light was still on. When passing over it made no sound whatsoever, also it went straight upwards like a helicopter and then up at an angle in a Northwesterly direction. The lady next door to us said she and her daughter saw this object an hour early.

Yours truly

  
Chgo 26, Illinois



1. DATE - TIME GROUP 25 July 65 06/0243Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Illinois
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION SATELLITE
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Reported	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Glowing unusually bright object in flight from North to South over Chicago, Illinois. Appeared to be faster than ECHO. Much slower than a meteor. Object resembled both meteors and satellites, which the observer had previously witnessed.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE South	COMMENTS: Object resembled a satellite except for the erratic flight. ECHO and IEGASUS schedules checked and no passages conform with the observation. Object evaluated as one of the more than 30 visible satellites. Fluctuation in flight attributed to illusion of one light passing another, to atmospheric conditions such as inversions which distort motion, and to the imagination of the witnesses.
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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Mrs. Hunt/man/SAFOICC/72842/7 Sep 65

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]:

SEP - 8 1965

This is in reply to your report of aerial objects which you could not identify on 25 and 28 July 1965.

Your sightings have been evaluated as probable observations of satellites. The paths of satellites often appear to be erratic with changes in speed and direction. This can be caused by an illusion as one light passes near another or by atmospheric conditions such as haze, smoke, or temperature inversions.

The report from Oxnard Air Force Base on 23 March 1957 was attributed to an observation of stars and lights on a nearby barn. This information was released by the Air Force to the Press. The Pasadena Air Filter Center had no connection with the observation.

We have no reports from Clovis, New Mexico, on 2 or 3 November 1957.

The books by Donald Keyhoe are considered by the Air Force to be science fiction.

Sincerely,

CLASSIFIED BY (Office Symbol, Name, Grade, Date)  
 SAF-CC SAF-OTC  
 SK  
 JOHN P. SPAULDING  
 Lt Colonel, USAF  
 Chief, Civil Branch  
 Community Relations Division  
 Office of Information  
 [REDACTED]  
 Chicago, Illinois

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FOREIGN TECHNOLOGY DIVISION  
AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO



REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: TDEW

SUBJECT: UFO Sightings, 25 & 28 Jul 65, Chicago, Illinois

27 AUG 1965

TO: Hq USAF SAFOICC (Mrs Hunt)  
Wash D C 20330

1. This office is in receipt of an unidentified flying object report from [redacted] of [redacted] Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60618.
2. The analysis section has evaluated the objects which he and his friends observed on 25 and 28 July 1965 as probable satellite sightings. There are more than 30 satellites and satellite components visible to the naked eye. Frequently the path of these objects appear to be erratic with changes in both speed and direction. This is caused by an illusion as one light passes near another or by atmospheric conditions such as haze, smoke or inversions.
3. The report from Oxnard AFB on 23 March 1957 was investigated by local civilian and military authorities. The multiple objects observed were stars and conventional lights on a nearby barn. This information was released by the Air Force to the press. The Pasadena Air Filter Center had no connection with the observation.
4. The alleged reports of 2 Nov 57, Clovis, New Mexico and 3 Nov 57, Amarillo, Texas are not in the Air Force case files.
5. The book, "Flying Saucers, Top Secret", by Donald E Keyhoe, mentioned as a source of his information, is regarded as science fiction by the Air Force.

FOR THE COMMANDER

ERIC T de JONCKHEERE  
Colonel, USAF  
Deputy for Technology  
and Subsystems



Chicago 18, Illinois  
July 29, 1965

Department of the U.S.A.F.  
Provisional Officer, U.F.O.  
Washington 25, D.C.

Sir:

I would like to report some very peculiar aerial behavior which has occurred over Chicago. On the nights of July 25 and 28 two very strange objects, seemingly of unconventional design, flew over Chicago. Both of these sightings can be confirmed by witnesses as well as by a noted meteorologist.

The sighting on the 25 goes as follows:

At 9:34 p.m. C.D.S.T., we saw an unusually bright object flying from north to south over Chicago. The observing conditions were excellent; there were no clouds, haze, or other obstructions to hamper visibility. At first, the object was flying a little faster than a satellite but much slower than a meteor. Both my friend, Jerry Rodous, and myself have been amateur astronomers for over two years and we both have seen many meteors and satellites during this time. This object the description of both satellite and meteor. The object slowed down, brightened and dimmed itself twice, and then raced away at the most astounding speed either of us has ever seen. It was first seen near the star Altair by the third member of our party but in less than fifteen seconds had traversed about one-fourth of the sky going in a southerly direction towards the constellation Sagittarius. The estimated speeds were sixteen to twenty thousand miles per ~~hour~~ judging from the speeds of the satellites, and about thirty thousand miles per hour when it left us. This is the first time I had ever seen a U.F.O. so at first I was a little skeptical as to whether or not this was a flying saucer so I did a little research on the subject. In the book Flying Saucers, Top Secret, I learned that there were reports quite similar to our sighting. Here are just a few:

Page 58. March 23, 1957; Midnight; Oxnard Air Force Base;

A large, round device flashing a brilliant red light was seen over the airbase as well as over Los Angeles. It hovered over one of the runways, climbed, and maneuvered swiftly over the area. The explanation of balloons was refuted by the Pasadena Air Filter Center.

Page 114. Nov. 2, 1957; 8p.m.; Clovis, N.M. — NO —

Mr. ~~John F. ...~~ is, New Mexico, saw an unusual, glowing object going in a southwesterly direction.

Page 116 and 117; Nov. 3, 1957; 11:35p.m.; Amarillo — NO —

"At 11:35, The CAA tower at Amarillo logged a report from a Navy test pilot. Apparently a UFO was making a close observation of the Navy plane. Though it showed no sign of hostility, it maneuvered around the aircraft, its glow alternately dimming and growing brighter as it climbed and dived."

\* By this I mean that his statement gave us evidence as to whether or not the object (July 28) was a UFO or not. He said that there were no weather balloons near Chicago and said that the Echo satellites did not move as strangely as the object observed.

STARS &  
CONVENTIONAL  
LIGHTS ON  
A BALLOON



As to the question of our observational capabilities, I submit these statistics:

[REDACTED] I.Q.- last known as being near 140; vision- 20-20; amateur astronomer for the past 2½ years; has seen meteors, comets, bright planets, satellites, and balloons; average and above student.

[REDACTED] I.Q.-last known to be over 120; vision- 20-20; has seen bright planets, stars, meteors, and satellites; average and above student.

[REDACTED] I.Q.- last known to be over 125; vision- 20-20; has been an amateur astronomer for 2½ years; has seen bright planets, stars, satellites, meteors, and balloons; above average student.

All of us have seen airplanes and helicopters at night. This object was neither an airplane or helicopter.

The second sighting took place three days later and was confirmed by six witnesses. The details are as follows:

At 9:56 p.m. C.D.S.T., the six of us saw an unusually bright object in the north. The object was doing fantastic maneuvers. It would travel in a westerly direction, stop, zig-zag, and then resume flying. The object eventually escaped our vision. The object itself was as bright as the planet Venus which was setting in the west at this time. We were fortunate enough to view this object through my telescope at 140 power. You will find our result on a little piece of paper enclosed. The red coloration was actually observed with an increase of speed. We followed the object for about four or five minutes until it was gone.

This time instead of using guesses as to whether this was a UFO, I called a well known television meteorologist, asking if there were any weather balloons doing tests in the northern Chicagoland area. He answered by saying that there were no balloons testing anywhere near Chicago. He suggested the idea of the object being one of the Echo satellites, but he later retracted this statement when I described the motions of the object.

The other three members of the party are also very capable observers. Outside of the statistics of those above, I could obtain those of only one other, [REDACTED] z. They are:

I.Q.- over 125; vision- 20-20; has seen all the objects as stated in the above descriptions.

This case can be compared to the Amarillo case in the sense that in both cases the object was doing fantastic maneuvers. There was an airplane in the vicinity, however, if the pilot had seen anything, he either did not report it or was told not to let it go beyond the airport.

I would now like to show the likenesses and differences between these two sightings. Both the first and second object were of unusual brightness. They both glowed. Fantastic maneuvers were performed by the two of them proving them to be of unconventional design (stopping, starting, and moving forward and backward are not characteristics of today's conventional aircraft). The directions in which these two objects are opposites; the July 25 object was going south while the July 28 object was going north. For a while, they both hovered over something. I have concluded that the only things worth hovering over would be the Glenview Naval Airstation in the north and either Midway Airport or SAC in the south.



I am very sorry that I could not have had this letter in the mail any sooner. I realize that there will now be a great amount of skepticism concerning it. I was unaware of the fact that AFR 200-2 requires the prompt reporting of UFOs. In conclusion, I would like to volunteer the services of my friends and myself for further observation of the UFOs and for any more information concerning our sightings. I would like several copies of the USAF Technical Information Sheet concerning UFOs sent to this address:

[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois, 60618

Thank you very much for your time.

Respectfully submitted,  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Ill., 60618  
August 3, 1965

Air Mail



Department of the U.S.A.F.  
Provisional Officer, UFO  
Washington 25, D.C.

ECHO II



B. Description of course of object.

1. What first called the attention of observer to the object Seemed  
to be moving northwest

2. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object when first observed Object  
seemed to be gaining and losing altitude and stopping and starting

3. Angle or elevation and azimuth of object upon disappearance  
Not sure

4. Description of flight path and maneuvers of object  
Same as 2

5. How did the object disappear (Fade away or instantaneously)  
Faded away

6. How long was the object visible? (Be specific, 5 min, one hour) The  
observer was not sure, perhaps a few minutes

C. Manner of observation.

1. How was object sighted, ground-visual, air visual, ground electronic,  
air electronic. (If electronic, specify type of radar)

Object sighted from ground

2. Were any optical aids used. (Telescopes, binoculars) No

3. Was this an airborne sighting? If so: N/A

A. Type A/C  
B. Ident No  
C. Altitude  
D. Heading  
E. Speed  
F. Home Station  
G. Telephone No



1. DATE - TIME GROUP 28 July 65 29/0256Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Illinois
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Satellite <del>(ECM II)</del>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 - 5 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS See letter. Star in flight to North with erratic motion.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	COMMENTS: Sighting characteristic of satellite observation. Fluctuations in flight attributed to the imagination of the observers, distortions in atmospheric conditions and the illusions of speed changes as one light nears another. <del>ECM II was in the area at the time of the observation and its passage was noted leading to validity of evaluation. ECM II was not at Chicago at 0153 having left at all degrees elevation.</del>
7. COURSE North	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	



TDEW

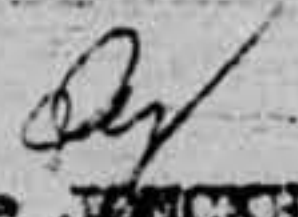
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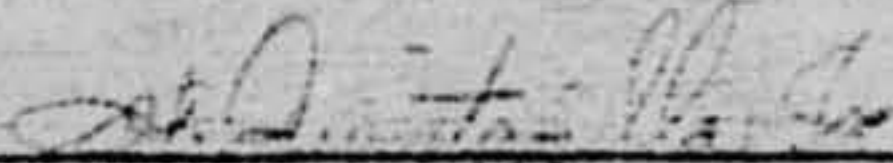
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ERIC T de JOCKHEERE  
Colonel, USAF  
Deputy for Technology  
and Subsystems

ORIGINATOR:

TDEW/UFO

  
Maj H Quintanilla, Jr.

DATED

27 Aug 65

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The sighting on the 25 goes as follows:

At 9:54 p.m. C.D.S.T., we saw an unusually bright object flying from north to south over Chicago. The observing conditions were excellent; there were no clouds, haze, or other obstructions to hamper visibility. At first, the object was flying a little faster than a satellite but much slower than a meteor. Both my friend, Jerry Hodous, and myself have been amateur astronomers for over two years and we both have seen many meteors and satellites during this time. This object the description of both satellite and meteor. The object slowed down, brightened and dimmed itself twice, and then raced away at the most astounding speed either of us has ever seen. It was first seen near the star Altair by the third member of our party but in less than fifteen seconds had traversed about one-fourth of the sky going in a southerly direction towards the constellation Sagittarius. The estimated speeds were sixteen to twenty thousand miles per hour judging from the speeds of the satellites, and about thirty thousand miles per hour when it left us. This is the first time I had ever seen a U.F.O. so at first I was a little skeptical as to whether or not this was a flying saucer so I did a little research on the subject. In the book Flying Saucers, Top Secret, I learned that there were reports quite similar to our sighting. Here are just a few:

Page 53. March 23, 1957; Midnight; Onward Air Force Base;

A large, round device flashing a brilliant red light was seen over the airbase as well as over Los Angeles. It hovered over one of the runways, climbed, and maneuvered swiftly over the area. The explanation of balloons was refuted by the Pasadena Air Filter Center.

Page 114. Nov. 2, 1957; 8p.m.; Clovis, N.M.

Mr. G. [redacted] Clovis, New Mexico, saw an unusual, glowing object going in a southwesterly direction.

Page 116 and 117; Nov. 3, 1957; 11:30p.m.; Amarillo

"At 11:35, The CAA tower at Amarillo logged a report from a Navy test pilot. Apparently a UFO was making a close observation of the Navy plane. Though it showed no sign of hostility, it maneuvered around the aircraft, its glow alternately dimming and growing brighter as it climbed and dived."

\* By this I mean that his statement gave us evidence as to whether or not the object (July 28) was a UFO or not. He said that there were no weather balloons near Chicago and said that the Echo satellites did not move as strangely as the object observed.



As to the question of our observational capabilities, I submit these statistics:

[redacted] - last known as being near 140; vision- 20-20; amateur astronomer for the past 2 1/2 years; has seen meteors, comets, bright planets, satellites, and balloons; average and above student.

[redacted] I.Q.-last known to be over 120; vision- 20-20; has seen bright planets, stars, meteors, and satellites; average and above student.

[redacted] I.Q.- last known to be over 125; vision- 20-20; has been an amateur astronomer for 2 1/2 years; has seen bright planets, stars, satellites, meteors, and balloons; above average student.

All of us have seen airplanes and helicopters at night. This object was neither an airplane or helicopter.

The second sighting took place three days later and was confirmed by six witnesses. The details are as follows:

At 9:56 p.m. C.D.S.T., the six of us saw an unusually bright object in the north. The object was doing fantastic maneuvers. It would travel in a westerly direction, stop, zig-zag, and then resume flying. The object eventually escaped our vision. The object itself was as bright as the planet Venus which was setting in the west at this time. We were fortunate enough to view this object through my telescope at 140 power. You will find our result on a little piece of paper enclosed. The red coloration was actually observed with an increase of speed. We followed the object for about four or five minutes until it was gone.

This time instead of using guesses as to whether this was a UFO, I called a well known television meteorologist, asking if there were any weather balloons doing tests in the northern Chicagoland area. He answered by saying that there were no balloons testing anywhere near Chicago. He suggested the idea of the object being one of the Echo satellites, but he later retracted this statement when I described the motions of the object.

The other three members of the party are also very capable observers. Outside of the statistics of those above, I could obtain those of only one other, [redacted]. They are:

I.Q.- over 125; vision- 20-20; has seen all the objects as stated in the above descriptions.

This case can be compared to the Amrillo case in the sense that in both cases the object was doing fantastic maneuvers. There was an airplane in the vicinity, however, if the pilot had seen anything, he either did not report it or was told not to let it go beyond the airport.

I would now like to show the likenesses and differences between these two sightings. Both the first and second object were of unusual brightness. They both glowed. Fantastic maneuvers were performed by the two of them proving them to be of unconventional design (stopping, starting, and moving forward and backward are not characteristics of today's conventional aircraft). The directions in which these two objects are opposites; the July 25 object was going south while the July 23 object was going north. For a while, they both hovered over something. I have concluded that the only things worth hovering over would be the Glenview Naval Airstation in the north and either Midway Airport or SAC in the south.



I am very sorry that I could not have had this letter in the mail any sooner. I realize that there will now be a great amount of skepticism concerning it. I was unaware of the fact that AFR 200-2 requires the prompt reporting of UFOs. In conclusion, I would like to volunteer the services of my friends and myself for further observation of the UFOs and for any more information concerning our sightings. I would like several copies of the USAF Technical Information Sheet concerning UFOs sent to this address:

[REDACTED]  
Chicago, Illinois, 60618

Thank you very much for your time.

Respectfully submitted,  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
August 3, 1965



Department of the U.S.A.F.  
Provisional Officer, UFO  
Washington 25, D.C.

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D. Time and date of sighting

1. Time Zulu 0100Z Date 6 July 1965  
2. Was it, night, day, dawn, dusk Night

E. Location of Observer. Where did you make this sighting from? Give exact location. (If necessary give location in reference to a known land mark)

Observer made sighting from Rapid Transit Platform approximately located

87°45' West 41°47' North

F. Identifying Information on Observer

1. Civilian Name [REDACTED]  
2. Age 24  
3. Mailing Address (Mother's address) [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois  
4. Occupation Not noted  
5. Reliability Very indefinite  
6. Telephone No Mother's phone [REDACTED]

Military:

1. Name N/A  
2. Grade   
3. Organization   
4. Duty   
5. Reliability   
6. Telephone No.

G. Weather and Winds - Aloft conditions at time and place of sightings

1. Observer's account of weather conditions Clear & Dark

2. Winds (from Weather Bureau) Not Available

Surface	Degrees	Kts
Aloft 6,000	"	"
10,000	"	"
16,000	"	"
20,000	"	"
30,000	"	"
50,000	"	"
80,000	"	"

3. Ceiling   
4. Visibility   
5. Amount of cloud layer   
6. Thunderstorm in area and quadrant in which located   
7. Vertical Temp Gradient



H. Did you notice any unusual activity or conditions, meteorological, astronomical, or otherwise, which might account for the sighting No

L. Did you take any photographs No  
Do you know of any existence of physical evidence of materials

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**COMMENTS:** Mr. [REDACTED] during phone interview seemed to be reliable until further probing found that he had been in the Air Force and seemed to feel he was an authority on contrails, aircraft shapes, etc. Further probing found that he observed someone signaling by light in morse code (SOS) to the object. He saw the signals coming from a nearby hospital but could not remember the floor. It is to be noted that this observation was made on July 5th, a legal holiday with many fireworks displays throughout the city. Also the Chicago White Sox were playing a night game. At most of the night games fireworks are set off. This reporter feels that credibility of sighting is debatable because of the "SOS" report. Mr. [REDACTED] was asked to submit a written report in his own words but has failed to do so to this date.

*Francis A. Dellorto*

FRANCIS A. DELLORTO, Civilian  
Base Flight Operations Officer



1. DATE - TIME GROUP 13 July 1965 13/0815Z	2. LOCATION Chicago, Illinois
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION AIRCRAFT  Probable Aircraft
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Not Determined	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS  No sound. Bright light. Cigar form. No features even though BX were used. White glowing trail that might have been exhaust. Observed at 45 deg elevation disappearing at azimuth of 315 degrees. Flight path East to West with NW departure. Straight flight. Could not determine duration.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual (BX)	
7. COURSE SouthWest	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.



13 JULY / 0815Z  
CHICAGO

HEADQUARTERS  
928TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP, MEDIUM (RESERVE)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS - 60666

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: OPS-B-1

27 Jul 1965

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

928TH TRP CARR GP.  
OHARE INTL. APRT.  
CHICAGO, ILL. 60666

TO: Air Force Systems Command  
Foreign Technology Division  
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

The following information as outlined in Paragraph 15, AFR 200-2 is submitted for your information.

a. Description of the Object(s):

- (1) Object appeared to be in the form of a cigar.
- (2) Size of a silver dollar at arm's length.
- (3) Bright light.
- (4) Only one object sighted.
- (5) N/A
- (6) No discernible features. When viewed through binoculars, object was round and blurry.
- (7) White glowing light coming from object. Unable to verify if it could be a tail, trail or exhaust.
- (8) Subject heard no sound from object.
- (9) When object was moving, it appeared to make stars that it was passing a little brighter.

b. Description of Course of Object(s):

- (1) Unable to determine cause for attention toward object.
- (2) Angle of elevation approximately  $45^{\circ}$  and due east of observer.
- (3) Unable to determine angle of disappearance, but azimuth was approximately  $315^{\circ}$  from observer.



(4) From all of the information derived, flight path was from due east to west, then a northwest departure with no maneuvers involved.

(5) From the information that can be derived from this report, object faded out to the northwest.

(6) Unable to determine the length of time of observation of object from observer.

c. Manner of Observation:

(1) Observation of object was from the ground.

(2) First sighting was with the naked eye. Subject then observed object with binoculars.

(3) N/A

d. Time and Date of Sighting:

(1) 0815Z 13 July 1965

(2) Time of sighting was at night.

e. Location of Observer(s):

Sighting was made from: 41°47' North Latitude, 87°38' West Longitude.

f. Identifying Information on Observer(s):

(1) Civilian  years

(2) N/A

g. Weather and Winds:

(1) Observer states weather clear and little wind.

(2) Unable to procure.

(3) Clear

(4) Visibility 10 miles

(5) None



(6) None

(7) Unable to determine.

h. Not known by preparing officer.

i. Negative

j. Not known.

k. This particular report was called in to the O'Hare Base Operations Office. The geographical location is approximately six miles due east of Midway Airport. Surface winds at Midway Airport were out of the southwest. According to the report, the object was on a course from east to west with a turn to the northwest. It is conceivable that this could have been an aircraft landing at Midway Airport with an approach from east to west, then turning northwest on a down wind leg for a landing on Runway 22.

l. No physical evidence.

FOR THE COMMANDER

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